

### § 352.3

from the Bureau of the Public Debt and designated Federal Reserve Banks.

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#### § 352.3 Registration and issue.

(a) *Registration.* Series HH bonds may be registered as set forth in subpart B of 31 CFR part 353, also published as Department of the Treasury Circular, Public Debt Series No. 3-80.

(b) *Validity of issue.* A bond is validly issued when it is registered as provided 31 CFR part 353, also published as Department of the Treasury Circular, Public Debt Series No. 3-80, and bears an issue date and appropriate validation indicia.

(c) *Taxpayer identifying number.* The inscription of a bond must include the taxpayer identifying number of the owner or first-named coowner. The taxpayer identifying number of the second-named coowner or beneficiary is not required but its inclusion is desirable.

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#### § 352.4 Limitation on purchases.

Series HH bonds issued under the terms of this Circular are not subject to a purchase limitation.

#### § 352.5 Authorized issuing and paying agents.

Series HH bonds may be issued or redeemed only by Federal Reserve Banks (see § 352.13) and the Bureau of the Public Debt.

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#### § 352.6 [Reserved]

#### § 352.7 Issues on exchange.

(a) *Securities eligible for exchange.* Owners may exchange United States Savings Bonds of Series E and EE and United States Savings Notes (Freedom Shares) at their current redemption values for Series HH bonds. Series E bonds and savings notes remain eligible for exchange for a period of one year from the month in which they reached final maturity. Series EE bonds issued on January 1, 2003, or earlier, become

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eligible for exchange six months after their issue dates. Series EE bonds issued on February 1, 2003, or thereafter, become eligible for exchange 12 months after their issue dates.

(b) *Basis for issue.* Series HH bonds will be issued on exchange by an authorized issuing agent upon receipt of a properly executed exchange application with eligible securities, and additional cash, if any, and any supporting evidence that may be required under the regulations. If eligible securities are submitted directly to a Federal Reserve Bank referred to in § 351.13, each must bear a properly signed and certified request for payment. Checks in payment of additional cash needed to complete a transaction (see paragraph (d) of this section) must be drawn to the order of the Federal Reserve Bank.

(c) *Role of financial institutions.* Department of the Treasury Circular No. 750, current revision (31 CFR part 321), authorizes financial institutions qualified as paying agents for savings bonds and notes to redeem eligible securities presented for exchange and to forward an exchange application and full payment to a Federal Reserve Bank referred to in § 351.13 for the issue of Series HH bonds. The securities redeemed on exchange by such an institution must be securities which it is authorized to redeem for cash.

(d) *Computation of issue price.* The total current redemption value of the eligible securities submitted for exchange in any one transaction must be \$500 or more. If the current redemption value is an even multiple of \$500, Series HH bonds must be issued in that exact amount. If the current redemption value exceeds, but is not an even multiple of, \$500, the owner has the option either:

(1) To add the cash necessary to bring the amount of the application to the next higher multiple of \$500, or

(2) To receive a payment to reduce the amount of the application to the next lower multiple of \$500.

(e) *Registration.* A Series HH bond issued on exchange may be registered in any form authorized in subpart B of Circular No. 3-80, subject to the following restrictions:

(1) If the securities submitted for exchange are in single ownership form,